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LETTER DATED 28 JANUARY 1993* FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith dated 28 January 1993 the letter from His Excellency, Mr. Ilija Djukić, Foreign Minister of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, addressed to you, concerning extremely dangerous developments in the wake of the continued aggression by Croatia in the area of the "Peruca" power station under United Nations protection.

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter and its annex as documents of the Security Council.

I would request you to inform other members of the Security Council immediately of the contents of this letter.

(Signed) Dragomir DJOKIC
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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* Received by the Secretariat on 18 February 1993.

Annex

I have to inform you as a matter of urgency of the extremely dangerous developments resulting from the continued aggression of Croatia in the area of the "Peruca" power station, which is under United Nations protection.

In defiance of United Nations Security Council resolution 802 (1993), the armed forces of Croatia carried out an armed attack today, 28 January 1993, at 10.15 a.m. local time, against the United Nations Protection Force and the Serbian police forces near the Peruca dam.

The armed forces of Croatia taking part in the attack consist of two batallions, a special demolition unit, as well as heavy weapons used in the attack. Their goal is to destroy the Peruca dam and cause an ecological disaster. This is being done with the intention to attribute to the Serb side the responsibility for the destruction of the dam and the consequences of this senseless act. Prior to the commencement of this attack, the Croatian side evacuated all the Croatian population from the Peruca dam area, which points out unequivocally to the goal of these armed activities.

All these data have been verified and corroborated by witnesses captured during the said armed operation, and confirmed by the commander of the special demolition unit of the Croatian army whose task it was to destroy the dam.

This latest armed attack is not only a continuation of the aggression by Croatia on the United Nations protected areas but is also in direct contravention of Security Council resolution 802 (1993). This action is a threat to peace and security in the region and threatens to provoke conflicts of wider proportion not only in the United Nations protected areas but also in the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The continued aggression requires the most urgent action by the Security Council to stop the aggression, restore the status quo ante and punish the aggressor.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express my highest appreciation for the responsible duties entrusted to you as President of the Security Council, in whom we have full confidence, and which are of decisive importance for the establishment of peace in the territory of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

(Signed) Ilija DJUKIĆ